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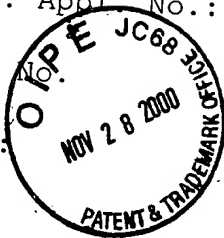
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Sir:

Applicant wishes to advise the United States Patent and Trademark Office that a Declaration was filed on October 25, 2000, to perfect Applicant's filing requirements.

The filing requirements were perfected prior to the receipt of the Notification of Missing Requirements (U.S.P.T.O. Form PCT/DO/EO/905), a copy of which is attached hereto.

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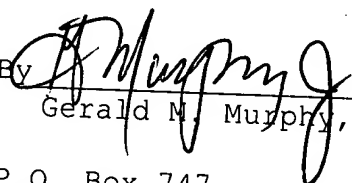
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
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